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#### **RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

# [XXX] NO FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH RESPECT TO THIS RESPONSE.

In response to the official action mailed December 20, 2005, please enter the following before reconsideration of this application.

# In the Drawings:

Please add Fig. 4 to the drawings, presently on file accompanying the attached Submission. The Applicant respectfully requests approval of the requested drawing at this time.

### In the Specification:

Please amend paragraphs [024] and [032] of the specification as follows in which the specification additions are shown by underlining and the specification deletions are shown by strikeout. Please enter the replacement specification paragraphs into the record of this case.

### In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 12, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein, in favor of new claim 21 and amend claims 9, 13 and 17 as follows in which the claim additions are shown by underlining and/or the claim deletions are shown by strikeout or brackets. Please enter the amended claims into the record of this case.